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- 4. Enclosing Formal Drawings.
- 5. Letter To Correct Filing Receipt.



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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the **pendency** of this application to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. A **copy of this** letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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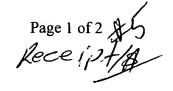
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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
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- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

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